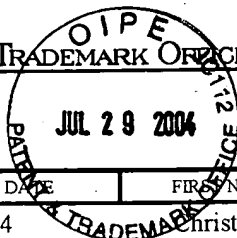




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10/795,960	03/08/2004	Christopher C. Rutter	114063-130

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CONFIRMATION NO. 8616

FORMALITIES LETTER



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Date Mailed: 05/27/2004

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$900** for a Large Entity

- **\$770** Statutory basic filing fee.
- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

**Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application
Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533)(Large Entity)**

Docket No.
114063-130



In Re Application Of: **Rutter et al.**

Application No. 10/795,960	Filing Date March 8, 2004	Examiner Not yet assigned	Customer No. 43793	Group Art Unit 3754	Confirmation No. 8616
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Invention: **SPOUT FOR SCREW ON CONNECTOR**

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This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) mailed on
May 27, 2004
Date

Enclosed herewith for filing are the following:

- ☒ A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533). **(REQUIRED)**
- ☐ An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☒ A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.
- ☐ An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ A verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
- ☐ Other (list):

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10/795,960	March 8, 2004	Not yet assigned	43793	3754	8616

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☒ Completion of application fees as calculated below:

☒ Utility application filing fee \$770.00

☐ Design application filing fee \$0.00

☒ Total number of independent claims = 2 \$0.00

☒ Total number of claims = 2 \$0.00

☐ Multiple dependent claims \$0.00

☒ Surcharge for late payment of filing fee and/or late filing of original declaration or oath \$130.00

☐ Petition and fee for filing by other than all the inventors or a person not the inventor \$0.00

☐ Fee for processing an application filed with a non-English language specification \$0.00

☐ Fee for processing and retention of application \$0.00

Total completion of application fees \$900.00

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the above-identified Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired). If an additional time extension is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

☐ One month ☐ Two months ☐ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months

from: _____ until: _____
Date Date

Total time extension fees \$0.00

Total fees due \$900.00

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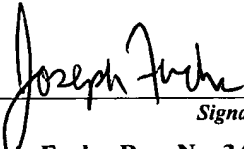
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The fee of **\$900.00** is to be paid as follows:

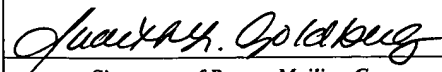
- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **50-3189**
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **50-3189**


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Dated: **July 26, 2004**

I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on **July 26, 2004** with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.



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